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AMENDMENT B

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Official Action mailed May 22, 2002. Please amend the Application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph bridging pages 1 and 2, beginning at page 1, line 22, to read as follows:

--For example, there is proposed in JP Patent Kokai JP-A-11-284497 a programmable delay generator in which a ramp waveform voltage for determining a delay time and a threshold voltage can be generated by circuits of the same structure and can be independently set so that it is capable of generating the delay time of a fractional number, a numerator and a denominator of which can be set, a frequency synthesizer which, by phase-interpolating output pulses of an accumulator using a programmable delay generator, is able to generate an adjustment-free lowspurious output signal, a multiplication circuit employing a programmable delay generator, a duty ratio converter circuit employing the programmable delay generator as an output pulse

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